City's Daffodil Exports

Spring Wings to East

Daffodils, Victoria's emblems of earliest spring, are winging their way east at the rate of more than 1,000,000 a day.

Grower Geoffrey Vantreight, Jr., 4437 Tyndall, said Monday that almost 8,000,000 blooms are expected to be shipped to all parts of Canada during the current season.

"The quality this year is exceptional and we expect to get 75 per cent of our crop away this week. This promises to be a record season both in volume and quality."

Mr. Vantreight shipped more than 1,000,000 choice daffodils from Patricia Bay Airport Sunday in two chartered North Star planes. The first shipment was flown non-stop to Winnipeg; the second to Toronto, Montreal and Halifax, with one stopover at Winnipeg.

Daffodil growers, large and small, on the southern end of Vancouver Island are all enjoying rich crops—the result of mild weather earlier this year.

Another Business Leaving Island?

John Fisher, how could you do it? How could you move Victoria's vine-covered Empress Hotel, that familiar landmark, to Vancouver?

That's what Victoria and Island publicity chief George Warren was asking yesterday when he discovered Mr. Fisher, executive director of the Canadian Tourist Association, has done so in print.

In the magazine "Canadian Tourism," official publication of the Canadian Tourist Association, this item appears under coming events:

"April 23-26. Hotel Association of Canada. Empress Hotel, Vancouver."

Craigflower Trustees

Saanich Challenged On Old School Plan

Saanich council's proposal that Craigflower schoolhouse and museum be turned over to the Historic Sites and Monuments Board of Canada has been challenged by the local committee of trustees.

Reeve George Chatterton said last night he is confident an arrangement can be worked out where the committee still remain trustees even though the project is formally handed over to the national board.

He said a meeting would be held at the committee's request for more information on the council proposal, but he added: "I don't think council can properly go on spending money on this thing."

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